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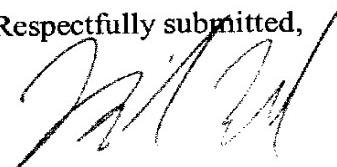
Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 through 1.98 and pursuant to applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant respectfully bring the following document and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. A copy of the foreign listed documents is provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

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Please charge any additional deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041.

Respectfully submitted,



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